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## VIA ECF

The Hon. Robert J. Kugler United States District Judge USDC, District of New Jersey Mitchell H. Cohen Building & U.S. Courthouse 4th & Cooper Streets, Room 1050 Camden, NJ 08101

Re: In re Valsartan, Losartan, and Irbesartan Products Liability Litigation, No. 1:19-md-02875-RBK-SAK (D.N.J.)

Dear Judge Kugler:

I write on behalf of my client, ScieGen Pharmaceuticals, Inc. ("ScieGen"), a finished dose manufacturer of irbesartan, with the assent of the Defendants' Executive Committee and Plaintiffs' Executive Committee, to request the Court's permission to allow ScieGen to appear virtually at the upcoming Case Management Conference scheduled for next Thursday, August 3, 2023.

I am making this request for accommodation because I am currently seven months pregnant and I was recently informed by my obstetrician that I cannot fly or travel for long periods of time due to a prenatal medical condition. As lead discovery counsel for ScieGen in the above-referenced case, I am the person most knowledgeable of the pending discovery issues and any related discovery disputes between ScieGen and the PEC.

Please let me know if you require any additional information and thank you for considering this request.

Very truly yours,

HINSHAW & CULBERTSON LLP

/s/ Vanessa V. Pisano

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